

IS HE "THE RIPPER?"

DEEMING IS SAID TO HAVE MADE A CONFESSION.

THE LATEST ABOUT THE BUTCHER.

A Melbourne Newspaper Says He Admits He Killed His Wife and Four Children and Also That He Committed the Last Two Whitechapel Murders—Intense Excitement in Whitechapel.

MELBOURNE, March 26.—The Argus declares that Deeming, the Liverpool murderer, has made a confession. Strong suspicion has been entertained here and in England that Deeming is the notorious "Jack the Ripper," the slayer of the Whitechapel outcasts in London, and this suspicion is borne out, not only by Deeming's appearance, which closely tallies with the description given of the Whitechapel fiend, but also by his alleged confession. The Argus is a reliable newspaper and there is no reason to doubt the truthfulness of the statesment it makes to-day that Deeming has acknowledged that he killed his wife and four children at Dinham villa, at Rain Hill, near Liverpool, and that he murdered and mutilated the last two women whose bodies were found in the purlieus of Whitechapel. Although he has confessed that these two Whitechapel women fell victims to his mania for murder, he, while not denying, does not admit that he killed the other Whitechapel women, whose murders have attracted the attention of the whole world. It is believed, however, that when he finds all hope of escape from the clutches of the law out, he will confess not only these murders but others of which the police know nothing. In his confession, the Argus says, Deeming makes no mention of his object in mutilating the bodies of his Whitechapel victims and removing certain of the organs, but, it adds, there is scarcely a doubt that the man is afflicted with a disease similar in some respects to nymphomania.

Deeming Sent to Melbourne. It is said that Deeming made his confession to an official at Perth, West Australia, where he was arrested on the charge of having murdered his wife at Windsor, a suburb of Melbourne. Deeming secured counsel and made a strong fight against being sent back to Melbourne, but the court ordered his surrender to the authorities of this city, and yesterday he started, in custody of officers, on his return. He told the Perth officials, to whom he made his confession, that he was not guilty of the Windsor murder. His wife, he claimed, had eloped with another man. It has transpired that the unfortunate woman whose body was found, with those of her four children, under the floor of the Rain Hill residence, was not Deeming's first wife. Some years ago a sensation was created in Australia by the mysterious disappearance of the wife and two children of a man who then went by the name of Williams, but who turns out to be Deeming. The family then resided in Sydney. There was grave suspicion of foul play but the bodies were not found, and this essential proof of murder being lacking the case was allowed to drop. Deeming subsequently went to England, and then it was that he married the woman whose murder he now confesses.

IN WHITECHAPEL.

The Story of Deeming's Confession Creates Intense Excitement.

LONDON, March 26.—The papers here to-day published the story of Deeming's confession, which was cabled from Melbourne. The story caused the most intense excitement in Whitechapel and the papers sold there like wildfire. Ever since the series of murders was started in that district women of the class to which the victims belonged have been in mortal terror of their lives. Driven by absolute poverty or innate depravity to ply their hideous vocation, they have never known at what moment they might fall beneath the keen knife of the assassin whose nom de guerre of "Jack the Ripper" was sufficient to cause them to tremble in their shoes when they were fortunate enough to possess them. Though no "Ripper" murder has occurred in Whitechapel for some time the report that the assassin had at last fallen into the hands of the police removed a load from the minds of the unfortunate denizens of that district. There is much difficulty in fixing upon the two Whitechapel murders to which Deeming is said to have confessed. Altogether ten murders are attributed to "Jack the Ripper," but there is much doubt as to whether the latest two were committed by the same hand that committed the other eight. The police of the Leman street station do not place much belief in the confession that Deeming committed these last two crimes. The latest Whitechapel murder, that of Frances Cole, occurred in 1890. Her body was mutilated in the manner of the other

victims and certain of the organs were taken out. The bodies of the other victims were found on the streets where they had fallen after the murderer had cut their throats, but the body of Frances Cole was found concealed in an empty house at Westham. The police emphatically state that her murderer was not Deeming. They say they were at one time close upon the murderer's track, but they afterward lost all trace of him. They learned enough, however, to know that Deeming did not kill her. They admit, however, that if the confession refers to the murder of Alice Mackenzie, which occurred in 1889, and of Mary Kelly, which was committed in 1888, it is possible that Deeming is telling the truth.

FEW WOMEN CARE TO VOTE.

A Steady Decline in Their Suffrage Representation at Atchison.

ATCHISON, Kan., March 26.—The registration books for the spring election in this city closed last night, with 2,010 names on the rolls. Of this number 150 were the names of women. In 1888, the year the equal suffrage law went into effect, 496 Atchison women registered, but less than 300 voted. The next year 481 women registered but only 375 voted. The third year 297 women registered but less than 200 voted. Last year 234 women registered but only 140 voted. This year it is thought that not over 100 will vote. The Republicans have nominated a straight ticket for city officers. The Democrats, People's party and Mugwumps fused and nominated a ticket last night.

A FIZZLE IN KANSAS.

No Enthusiasm Over the People's Party Ratification Meetings.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 26.—This was the day set by the People's national committee for ratification meetings to endorse the action of the St. Louis conference and raise the nucleus of a campaign fund. Dispatches received say that a driving rain set in last night all over the state and that it continued to-day. The failure of the plan proposed for arousing enthusiasm is admitted here by People's party politicians. Very little enthusiasm has been manifested over the proposed ratification meetings in any part of the state.

Ingalls Talks to the Children.

HAYS CITY, Kan., March 26.—Senator John J. Ingalls addressed a large audience here yesterday. His talk was ostensibly to the children of the public schools, but after a few remarks to the children the senator warmed up and delivered a semi-political address of some length, attacking the paternal features of the Alliance. He stated that his presence here was due entirely to private business, and thanked the people of Ellis county for their unwavering support during his long political career, "now finally ended."

A Chance for Fusion in Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 26.—The state central committees of the Prohibition and People's parties held a joint meeting here yesterday to consider the question of a fusion on state, congressional, legislative and county tickets. There was a full interchange of opinion between the members of the two organizations, and the fact was early developed that the only obstacle which might arise was that involved in female suffrage. The whole matter was continued till the meeting of the two conventions in May.

Mississippi Will Not Be There.

JACKSON, Miss., March 26.—The legislature, by a vote of nearly two to one, killed the bill appropriating \$50,000 for an exhibit at the world's fair. Various amendments were offered, but all were voted down. A substitute now pends to allow the various counties to appropriate \$1,500 for a county exhibit. There is a probability of its passing.

Alleged Lynchers Under Arrest.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., March 26.—A reliable report from Taney county swells the number of prisoners in custody for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Williams and the lynching of John Bright to five. Two arrests were made yesterday. One of the prisoners is George L. Taylor of Forsythe, a prominent young attorney, who has figured conspicuously in the Bald Knobber feud.

Rear Admiral Kimberly Retired.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—The naval orders yesterday contained the retirement of Rear Admiral L. A. Kimberly, to take effect April 2. He is now serving as president of the board of inspection and survey. He entered the service in 1846.

Poisoned by Lumpy Jaw Beef.

DUBUQUE, Ia., March 26.—Michael Smith, his wife and eight children were poisoned by eating beef affected with lumpy jaw. The mother and one boy are still very sick and may die, but the others are out of danger.

A \$15,000 Purse for Drayton and Borrowow.

HAZELTON, Pa., March 26.—W. A. Evans, representing the athletic club of this city, telegraphed to Borrowow at New York yesterday, offering a purse of \$15,000 for a fight to a finish between him and Drayton.

A GRAND LAY-OUT OF WASH FABRICS

This week, at prices that will be sure to please.
1,000 yards of very best Shirting Prints.
1,000 yards New Style Dress Prints.
1,000 yards Challies, new designs and patterns copied from the \$1 per yard Imported Challies, choice of this entire lot for 5c a yard.

5c Twenty-five pieces fine count Challies.
7c Forty pieces spring style Dress Gingham.
Fifty pieces new style Chevron Suiting.
Sixty pieces nobby figured Cotton Chinas.
Choice of the lot 7c a yard.

10c 1200 yards soft finish Dress Gingham.
800 yards ever popular Outing Cloths.
750 yards Double Width Challies.
Splendid value at 10c a yard.

12c Seventeen pieces Figured India Mulls.
Twenty-four pieces Zephyr Gingham.
Twelve pieces extra weight Outing Cloths.
Will be big sellers at 12c a yard.

15c 600 yards Figured India Wash Silks.
900 yards Figured Bengal Tissues.
1,400 yards Figured Shantung Pongees.
Will not remain on our counters long at 15 cents a yard.

See our Real Scotch Dress Gingham at 20c a yard.
See our Imported Lace Effect Dress Gingham at 35c a yard.
See our Elegant line of Penanga for Boy's waists at 7c, 10c, 12c and 15c a yard.
See our line of Silver Grey and Mourning Prints, by far the largest stock in the city, at 7c a yard.

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P. S.—Big Remnant Sale to-morrow. Do not miss inspecting our Remnant counter.

MEN READ THIS!

THE BOTKIN FEUD IN COURT.
Candidate Minton Begins Proceedings to Oust Sheriff Guyman From Office.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 26.—W. H. Minton, People's party candidate for sheriff of Seward county, has instituted proceedings in the supreme court to oust E. S. Guyman, declared sheriff by a contest court, from the office. The proceedings include charges against Judge Theodosius Botkin and will force a review of the alleged conspiracy by the supreme court.

Minton was given a certificate of election by the county commissioners November 6, having received, on the face of the returns, 128 of the 242 votes cast. Guyman instituted a contest and was given a certificate of election January 6. Minton claims that this certificate was procured through the manipulation of the Botkin faction, and, in an affidavit accompanying his petition to advance the case on the docket, alleges that the defendant has usurped the office and in performing its duties is a continual menace to the peace of the community. Minton further swears that Guyman has appointed an under sheriff to exasperate the law-abiding citizens of the county and to gratify the malice of Judge Botkin and to enable him as judge of the Thirty-second judicial district, to intimidate, overawe and oppress certain citizens of the county. Minton asks the supreme court to appoint commissioners to take evidence. He also asks for \$2,000 damages.

THE SESSION IN A NUTSHELL.

What the Missouri Legislators at Jefferson City Succeeded in Doing.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 26.—The session of the Thirty-sixth general assembly was a surprise to many because the farmers made no organized effort to get before it anything not included in the governor's call. The session did about what it was called to do. It passed the congressional redistricting bill, to provide for the new Fifteenth district and according to the directions of the party managers, gerrymandered the state so as to make fourteen Democratic and one Republican districts. After a hasty fight the session provided for the rebuilding of the university at Columbia by giving that town the \$147,500 insurance money and \$40 additional and providing for a donation of \$50,000 from Columbia. It passed the judicial redistricting bill rearranging the judicial districts, but refused to raise the salaries of the judges. The passage of the legislative reapportionment bill was provided for by law, and it was only a matter of routine. Besides this, the extra session passed a bill ceding to the United States control over Jefferson barracks, and a resolution petitioning congress to make a liberal appropriation for the improvement of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers.

Each Killed the Other.

PINE BLUFF, Ark., March 26.—Robert Ross and Jefferson Jones killed each other at a country church meeting in Scott county, Ark. Ross had been paying attention to Tom Jones' daughter, to which the father objected, and the fatal encounter grew out of Ross' persistency in not heeding Jones' request.

Horsewhipped the Editor.

ORD, Neb., March 26.—Orson S. Haskell, editor and proprietor of the Ord Herald, was horsewhipped in the postoffice last evening by Marcus E. Getter. Haskell had published an article reflecting on Getter's character.

Inventor Wickersham Dead.

PHILADELPHIA, March 26.—J. B. Wickersham, a well known Philadelphia, is dead. He had a genius for invention and originated the plan of the elevated railway to relieve the crowded condition of Broadway.

Death of Dr. Sessions of Columbus.

COLUMBUS, O., March 26.—Dr. F. G. Sessions, aged 60, ex-president of the Commercial national bank of this city, died at Hot Springs, N. C., this morning of heart failure.

Paris "Cabbies" Again on a Strike.

PARIS, March 26.—One thousand cabbies in the employ of six cab companies in this city struck to-day.

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According to the Leaders of Both Sides the Deciding Vote Will Not Be More Than One or Two Either Way When the Bill Comes Up Again—Fusion and Taylor of Ohio Desert the Silver Rank.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—The silver men felt more hopeful to-day than they did yesterday. It is doubtful if the Republicans will aid the anti-silver Democrats to defeat the resolution to be brought in by the committee on rules, and which will again bring the Bland bill before the house. The Republicans are divided on the question. Tom Reed does not want the president to have an opportunity to veto the Bland bill. Friends of the president also doubt the policy of letting the executive exercise the veto power, as it would undoubtedly injure him in the Far West. According to close figuring by the leaders on both sides of the question, there will not be more than a majority of two votes either way when the matter comes to a vote.

The attendance of members in the house this morning was small. Among the gentlemen present, silver was the chief, if not the only, subject of conversation. Thursday's battle was discussed in all its phases, and speculation was rife as to the probable outcome of the combat which may be precipitated Monday or Tuesday by a report from the committee on rules. Speaker Crisp's probable action in forcing the silver question on the house again is causing some wonder. He can not be acting in the interest of Hill, for it is manifestly to the interest of the New York boss to prevent any action which will eventually force him to record himself in the senate. Nevertheless it is known that Crisp's vote in the rules committee will reopen the entire battle in the house next week.

Mr. Funsion of Kansas and H. A. Taylor of Ohio, who have heretofore voted with the free coinage men, will vote against the bill on its merits.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 26.—A correspondent asked Senator Hill last night whether it was true that he counseled Congressman Rockwell to vote as he did—with the free silver men. The senator replied with deliberation: "Mr. Rockwell votes on his own responsibility and I vote on mine. I must decline to say anything about the report you speak of, one way or the other."

A Swiss Village All But Destroyed.

BRUNNEN, March 26.—The little village of Leven, in the canton of St. Gall, has been almost entirely destroyed by fire. More than sixty cottages have been burned and the fire is still raging. The people are unable to stay the progress of the flames.

Must Use a Pen.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—The comptroller of the currency has decided that the signatures of bank officers must be written in ink, not stamped, on their circulation notes.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

It is believed that Jay Gould will purchase the San Antonio and Aransas Pass railroad.

Free Methodists of Knox, Ind., compelled their pastor to resign because he wore a mustache.

President Diaz of Mexico says he will accept the captured battle flags in the same spirit they are tendered.

An aged Hoosier arrested for drunkenness died in a cell from wounds said to have been inflicted by a woman.

Certain Illinois Republicans have begun a senatorial fight against the renomination of ex-Congressman Joe Cannon of the Fifteenth district.

Ferd Ward may be re-arrested on his departure from Sing Sing on Wednesday to be tried by the government for assisting to wreck the Marine National bank.